"Applicant."

"Applicant" shall mean any person who has applied for relief for dependent children under this title.

"Recipient."

"Recipient" shall mean any person who has received assistance for dependent children under the provisions of this title.

"Assistance."

"Assistance" as used under this title means the money payments for aid to dependent children.

Acceptance of Federal grants. SEC. 33. Acceptance of Federal Grants. The provisions of the Federal Social Security Act, relating to grants in aid to the State for aid to dependent children, and the benefits thereunder, are hereby accepted and adopted, and the provisions of this Act shall be liberally construed in relation to the said Federal Social Security Act, so that the intent to comply therewith shall be made effectual.

Amount of relief.

Sec. 34. Amount of Relief. That the maximum amount to be allowed per month under this Act shall not exceed eighteen dollars (\$18.00) for one child and twelve dollars (\$12.00) additional per month for each of the other dependent children in the home eligible to assistance under this Act: Provided, the total amount shall not exceed sixty-five dollars (\$65.00), except in extraordinary circumstances in which it appears to the satisfaction of the State Board that a total of sixty-five dollars (\$65.00) per month would be insufficient to secure the purpose above set forth.

"Dependent child" defined.

Sec. 35. Dependent Children Defined. That the term "dependent child" as used in this Act shall mean a child under sixteen years of age who is living with his or her father, mother, grandfather, grandmother, brother, sister, stepfather, stepmother, stepbrother, stepsister, uncle or aunt, in a place of residence maintained by one or more of such relatives as his or their own home; who has resided in the State of North Carolina for one year immediately preceding the application for aid; or who was born within the State within one year immediately preceding the application; if the mother has resided in the State for one year immediately preceding the birth, and who has been deprived of parental support or care by reason of the death, physical or mental incapacity or continued absence from the home of a parent, and who has no adequate means of support: Provided, that in all cases of desertion every effort shall be made in compliance with provisions of Consolidated Statutes four thousand four hundred forty-seven through four thousand four hundred fifty (a), inclusive, to apprehend the parent and charge him with the support of the said child.

Eligibility conditions.

Sec. 36. Eligibility. That to be eligible to receive aid for a dependent child or children as hereinbefore defined in section thirty-six of this section, the said father, mother, grandfather, grandmother, brother, sister, stepfather, stepmother, stepbrother, stepsister, uncle, or aunt, in whose own home the said dependent child resides shall maintain a safe and proper home for himself, or themselves, and said dependent child or children.